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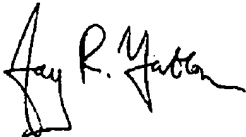
**RE: AMENDMENT FOLLOWING OCTOBER 23, 2002 TELEPHONE INTERVIEW
SERIAL # 09/725,728; ART UNIT 1745; FILED NOVEMBER 29, 2000;
TITLE: FUEL CELL CONTROL AND MEASUREMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD,
USING DIELECTRIC CONSTANT MEASUREMENTS**

Dear Sir:

Attached please find a four (4) page amendment and associated remarks following the above-referenced telephone interview.

By and with this reply, I hereby request further examination and consideration of this application, with the amendments submitted, described and supported herein.

Very Truly Yours,

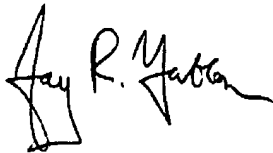


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Serial Number: 09/725,728

Art Unit: 1745

Filing Date: 11/29/2000

Examiner: Jonathan S. Crepeau

Title of Invention: Fuel Cell Control and Measurement Apparatus
and Method, using Dielectric Constant Measurements

Inventor: Acker et al.

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10.29.22**AMENDMENT FOLLOWING OCTOBER 23, 2002 TELEPHONE INTERVIEW**

Following is an amendment and associated remarks following
the above-referenced telephone interview.

5 REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW BEFORE SUBSEQUENT OFFICE ACTION

If the amendments submitted and described herein do not
place this application fully in condition for allowance,
applicants' counsel hereby respectfully requests a telephone
interview with examiner Jonathan S. Crepeau, following receipt
10 of this reply, and prior to issuance of any further office
action on this case, particularly prior to issuance of any final
action.

REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF OCTOBER 23, 2003 TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

15 Applicants hereby respectfully request an interview summary
confirming the October 23, 2002 discussion with examiner Crepeau
as summarized in the remarks to follow, if one is not already
forthcoming.

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AMENDMENTS

Please amend claims 20 and 40 as shown below. All other
claims are unchanged.

1 20. (amended) A fuel cell system, comprising: